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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

NUMBER: DOI-BLM-CO-120-2009-0034-CX

PROJECT NAME: Bonanza Creek Operating Co. Renewal

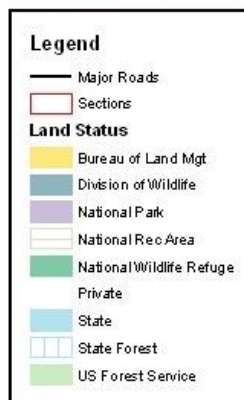
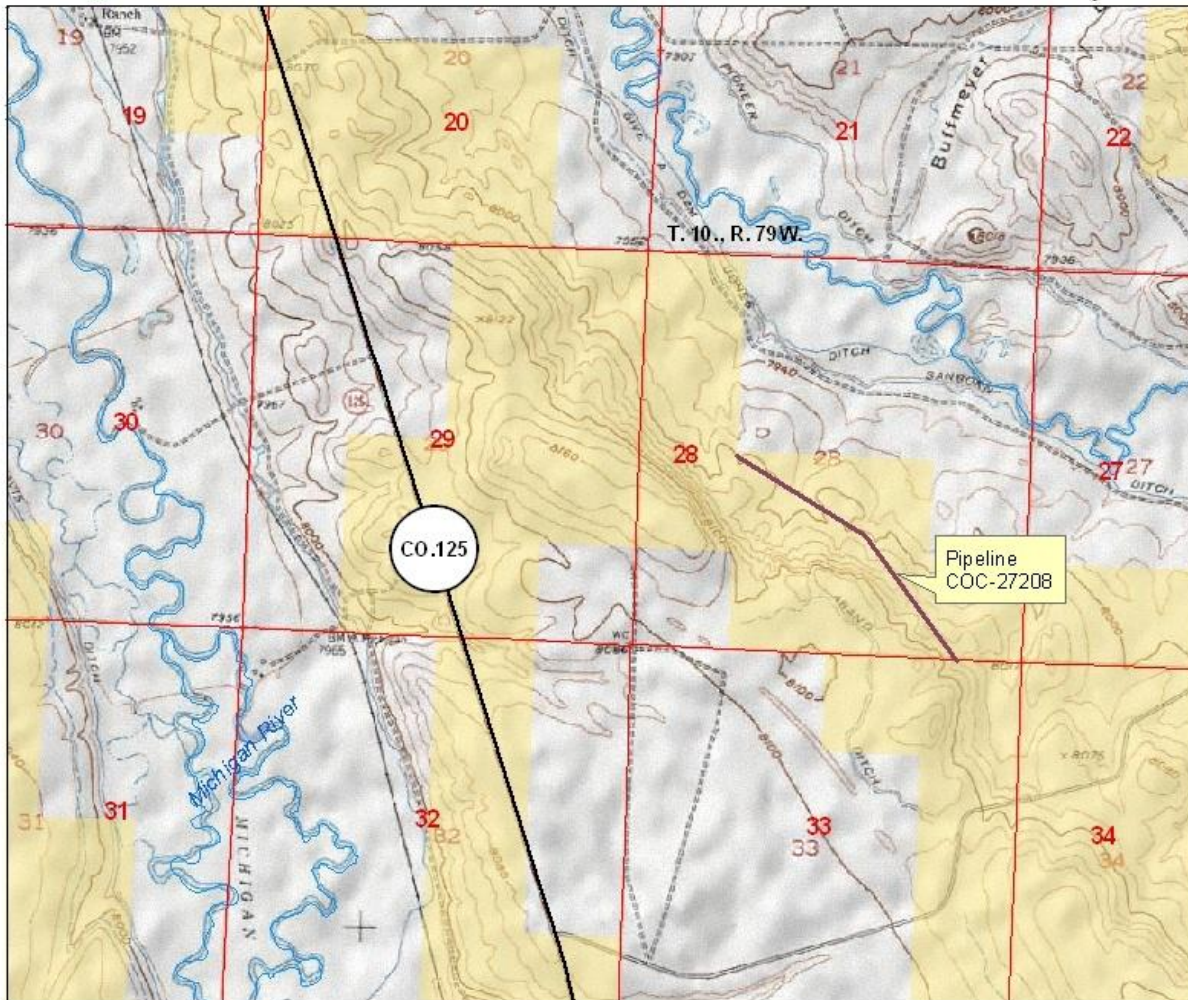
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: T. 10N., R. 79W., sec. 28: S½

APPLICANT: Bonanza Creek Operating Co. LLC

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED ACTION: Bonanza Creek is requesting a renewal of their ROW for a trench containing a 3 inch water pipeline and a 3Kv powerline. The pipeline is to transfer water from Conoco Federal Well 28-1 to the McCallum Unit to be used in a secondary recovery project. The width of the ROW is 50 feet and the length is 3446.72 feet. The right-of-way was originally issued on July 3, 1979 to Continental Oil Company, assigned to Nielson and Assoc. and then assigned to Bonanza Creek Operating Co., LLC. The ROW expires July 2, 2009. An archaeological survey was completed in 1979. No new disturbance will occur.



Bonanza Creek Energy Renewal



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PLAN CONFORMANCE REVIEW: The Proposed Action is subject to and has been reviewed for conformance with the following plan (43 CFR 1610.5, BLM 1617.3):

Name of Plan: Kremmling Resource Management Plan (RMP), Record of Decision (ROD)

Date Approved: December 19, 1984; Updated February 1999

Decision Number/Page: II-B-12 pg. 14

Decision Language: Provide the opportunity to utilize public lands for development of facilities which benefit the public, while considering environmental and agency concerns.

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION REVIEW: The Proposed Action qualifies as a categorical exclusion under 516 DM 11, Number: (E) (9), "Renewals and assignments of leases, or rights-of-way where no additional rights are conveyed beyond those granted by the original authorizations." None of the following extraordinary circumstances in 516 DM 2, Appendix 2, apply.

Extraordinary Circumstances	Yes	No
2.1 Have significant impacts on public health or safety		X
2.2 Have significant impacts on such natural resources and unique geographic characteristics as historic or cultural resources; park, recreation or refuge lands; wilderness areas; wild or scenic rivers; national natural landmarks; sole or principal drinking water aquifers; prime farmlands; wetlands (Executive Order 11990); floodplains (Executive Order 11988); national monuments; migratory birds; and other ecologically significant or critical areas.		X
2.3 Have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources [NEPA section 102(2)(E)].		X
2.4 Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks.		X
2.5 Establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects.		X
2.6 Have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental effects.		X
2.7 Have significant impacts on properties listed, or eligible for listing, on the National Register of historic Places as determined by either the bureau or office.		X
2.8 Have significant impacts on species listed, or proposed to be listed, on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species, or have significant impacts on designated Critical Habitat for these species.		X

2.9 Violate a Federal Law, or a State, local, or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment.		X
2.10 Have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations (Executive Order 12898).		X
2.11 Limit access to and ceremonial use of Indian sacred sites on Federal lands by Indian religious practitioners or significantly adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites (Executive Order 13007).		X
2.12 Contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of noxious weeds or non-native invasive species known to occur in the area or actions that may promote the introduction, growth, or expansion of the range of such species (Federal Noxious Weed Control Act and Executive Order 13112).		X

INTERDISCIPLINARY REVIEW:

Name	Title	Area of Responsibility	Date Review Completed
Peter McFadden	Assoc. F.M.	NEPA	8/14/2009
Bill Wyatt	Archaeologist	Cultural	8/14/2009
Megan McGuire	Wildlife Biologist	T&E	4/13/2009
Paula Belcher	Hydrologist	SWA	7/13/09
Frank G. Rupp	Archaeologist	Paleontology	2/17/2009

REMARKS: None

COMPLIANCE PLAN: The right-of-way will be inspected and monitored periodically during terms of the grant to ensure compliance with the terms and conditions of the grant. The right-of-way will also be inspected after any maintenance activities to determine compliance with and effectiveness of reclamation measures.

NAME OF PREPARER: Susan Cassel

NAME OF ENVIRONMENTAL COORDINATOR: Peter McFadden

DATE:

ATTACHMENTS: Stipulations

DECISION AND RATIONALE: I have reviewed this CER and have decided to implement the proposed action.

This action is listed in the Department Manual as an action that may be categorically excluded. I have evaluated the action relative to the 12 criteria listed above and have determined that it does

not represent an extraordinary circumstance and is, therefore, categorically excluded from further environmental analysis.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL: /s/ Peter McFadden

DATE SIGNED: 8/14/09